Held the Girl

to that sore of amounts, in the another chance.

Perhaps it is needless to remark that whenever he went sleighing he took with him one of those pretty, pink-cheeked girls, for which Vermont is justly fa-

And as far as possible a new one every

Such is man at twenty—and later.

The pitcher cannot be taken to the well too often unless it become broken, and it happened in the case of the Capital United States.

That sounded well, but when they approach the turn, the borse would not stay in the road, and dropping the lines the young fellow grabbed the girl and walled for the end, whatever it night be. In a minute more the entire combination flew the track and lit in a snow bank twenty feet deep. Some people who saw the accident fished them all out, and for a wonder nobody was much hurt, though the sleigh was damaged.

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the sleigh was damaged.
When the youth's father heard the
story, he was indignant.
"Why, you young Jack," he exclafmed,
"what in thunder did you drop those
lines for? You might have known what
would have happened."
"Well, pop," he replied sheepishly, "I
couldn't hold the horse and I could hold
the girl, and what else was there to do?"
-Washington Star.

In Bievelist.

Bicycles of American manufacture have ound their way into Arabia, so that icreafter when a son of the desert is

hereafter when a son of the desert is quoted an apostrophizing.

"My beautiful, my beautiful, that stand-est mockly by."

I will require a fout-note to explain whe-ther he refers to a milk-white steed or a pedaled wheel.—Milwaukee Wisconsin.

Science too Swift."Oh, dear, dear mel" said a damset

"How depressed this makes me feel; They've gone and invented flying ma-chines.

And I haven't yet learned to wheel."

—Detroit Free Press.

The '57 Wheel.—First Manufacturer— Any improvements on the '96 model?
Second Manufacturer—Improvements?
I should say! I've got a device that makes the '95 model look decadually old-rashioned.—New York Truth.

Where Are the Plans?

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(Washington Evening Star.)

"One of the most remarkable things about the Capitol building, which is remarkable for so many things, is the complete disappearance of all the plans drawings, and all the charmants necessarily have been used during its construction." Observed a prominent and leading architect who has given a great deal of attention to the matter. "Recently," he said, "I was asked by an architectural paper to prepare an article on the Capitol building, which is admittedly the finest legislative structure in the world. I supposed, of course, that I could put my hands on any of the plans immediately; so I accepted the commission. Imagine my disappointment when, on applying at the Capitol. I was informed that all of the plans if they ever didexist, disappeared many years ago. The plans for the Senate and House Wings are easily enough reached, but those for the old building the Capitol proper, have been missing for over fifty years. There is, however, an impression among some that the plans were filed away in one of the Government departments. As far as I have been able to ascertain, in an examination covering several weeks, there is no record of any such disposition of them.

Percupine Wasn't Defenceless,

A large wildcat that had gone hungry hree days, sneaked down the big beech

ridge above Balygump. Me., with its face

crewed into as ugly a sneer as ever a

wildcat wore. Beyond the ridge, where

wildcat wore. Beyond the rules, where the ground sank into a gully-like swamp, the wildcat found a fat porcupine on the ground. The cat evidently found the percupine tempting to look on, for it promptly went on the heat with all the craft it could exercise.

Behind a hummock, slung a snow ridge, over a fallen log and through a sprinkling of bush togs the cat made its way, and approached the porcupine. Then it sprang, and gripped its claws on its prey. It sught to rule the forcupin over so as to bite it on the helly. It succeeded only partially, and filled its jaws full of short quills from the porcupine's side. The porcupine died quickly, but the wildcat, with its jaws distended with the quills, could not eat the meat being able only to lap up a little of the blood.

The agony of the wildcat was so great.

The Chaperone.

I rowed with Doris in my beat.
Far from the city's noise.
And found a pleasant spot is float.
Where leaves and illies poise.
Upon the little waves that greep.
To rock the drewsy birds to sleep.

We talked, but we were not alone,

Which reemed to disconcer us:
Aunt Josie was our chaperon
but huis chi she hart us.
For wher, I letted I found her deep
In caim, unchaperoning sleep.

The chance was far too good to miss
And Doris being willing.

I backward leaned and tookia kiss
That set my pulies thrillins:
When lo I saw Aunt Josie peep.
The wretch had only feigned her sleep.

# MORRISETT TO GO BACK,

THE ACADEMIC BOARD RECOM. MENDED HIS REAPPOINTMENT.

## Congressman Meredith Has His Dander Up and Gives General Maxwell

Some Private Opinions.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 16.—Representative Elect received the following telegram from Adjutant-General Ruggles like ter-

this morning:

Superintendent at West Point reports by telegraph that Academic Board at West Point recommends reappointment of Allen F. Morrisett, and sends letter by mail. Appointment will be held up for receipt of lotter.

Cadet Morrisett is one of the three from Virginia, who failed to pass the recent examination at the Academy and was consequently dropped from the rolls. His relatatement is due to the efforts

relative for a first the forts ploned Ellert in his behalf, resentative forey called on the Prestries morning to make an appoint for Monday next to consider the papers for the pardon of Walker G. Ham

A QUESTION OF POSTMASTERS. Representative Meredith is very in-mant at what he considers, to put it m by, the rather singular action of Fourth Assistant Foxtmaster General. It seems that vacancies caused by resig-nation exist in the postoffices at Rector-town and Broad Run, both in Fauquier County. The former incumbents of the offices have not only resigned, but have removed from the neighborhood of the office.

the office.

Several days age, acting on petitions of citizens, patrons of the offices. Mr. Meredith recommended two gentlemen to fill the vacancies. Not hearing from his recommendations, he yesterday called on Assistant Postmaster-General Maxwell and asked that the matter be taken up. Much to his surprise, he was informed by Mr. Maxwell that the Department would decline to act in the matter, giving as his reason that it looked like trespassing on the rights of the incoming administration to make the appointments at this time.

MR. MEREDITH INDIGNANT.

opinion to the Assistant Postmaster-General in rather forcible language.

In view of the fact, numerous precedents can be stated wherein appointments of more importance than fourth-class postmasters have been made at the actual close of an administration, the position taken by Mr. Maxwell is to say the least a most remarkable one.

A QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE.

Representative-Elect James Hay, of the Seventh Virginia District is still here. The principal object of his visit at this time was to determine whether he or Representative-S. S. Turner has the right to fill the vacancy at the Naval Academy at Annapolis, caused by the resignation

to fill the vacancy at the Naval Academy at Annapolis, caused by the resignation of Cadet Miller, son of Dr. John S. Miller, of Rappahanock.

Accompanied by Senator Martin, he yesterday called on Secretary Herbert and presented the question.

The Secretary decided that as the report of the Academic Board would not reach the Navy Department until the lith of March, Mr. Hay undoubtedly had the right of appointment.

# A BAD REGINNING.

#### The Foolish Act of a Jockey May Be the Cause of His Death.

Taylor, in Cause of the Death.

BARKSDALE, MD., Feb. 10.—An accident in the first race marked the sport at the Barksdaie track to-day and resulted in painful, if not fatal injuries to Jockey Martin Ford. The cause of the trouble was Ford's mount, Henry H, which boured just after the start. Ford then froisnly struck the horse over the head with his whip, cutting out one eye and injuring the other. The animal, freazied with pain and hearly blind, crashed into the rail, unseating his rider, who felt, impairing himself on the fence.

The rideriess horse then started for an open gate in the outer fence, but some one closed the gate and he turned and ran head into the bunch of horses, which, by this time, had circled the track and were rounding the far turn into the stretch. In an inetant the trace was strewn with horses and jockeys.

Of the nine horses which started in the race only four escaped.

When Henry H, plunged into the bunch he first struck faithe Lady fell, and Henry H, went down with her. Canola, with Jockey Eills up. Little Lady fell, and Henry H, went down with her. Canola, with Coundier up, Kerplunk with A. Moore in the saddle, and Roxboro, with C. Hueston riding, all fell over the first two that went down. Jeckey Carson, who was leading on McCali, saw the danger, and assigned to frontiers to the plague.

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The formed by the Methodi happy cosip Mr. Creed 'of the latte with his policy continued in the land within his pain and nearly blind, crashed into the function of the function of the formed by the Methodi by the Methodic of the latte with happy cosip Mr. Creed 'of the latte by the formed by the

NEW ORLEANS LA. Feb. 10.—Forgy, rainy weather to-day kept down the attendance to the 2,000 regulars. The track was slushy, and three favorities wen, McCaren's Pat Dunn securing the \$1,000 Le Compte handicap clevery, Summaries.

\$1.000 Le Compte handicap eleverly, Sammates:

First race—one mile—Ondague (110, C. Reiff, 3 to 5) Brst, with Firste second and Little Billy third. Time, Lish.

Second race—half a mine—ironical (60, A. Barrett, 12 to 1) first, with George T. Todd second and Floss third. Time, 54.

Third race—seven furiongs—thert Goode (102, Gannon, 5 to 1) first, with Hillshore second and Bob Clampett third. Time, 1330g.

Fourth race—Ls Compts handicap, \$1,000, for three-year-onds, seven furiongs.—P. Dunne (116, Beauchamp, 3 to 1) first, with Deona Rira second and Sharon third. Time, 1330g.

Fifth race—six furiongs—Lady Louise (88, T. Burns, 1 to 2) first, with Laillau E. second and Al Kyris third. Time, 1211g.

Saxh race—six furiongs—Whiff (103, Beauchamp, 7 to 1) first, with Dejure second and Taghona third. Time, 1,2224.

Charges Mitchell With Falsebood.

# NATIONAL CYCLE SHOW.

up to to-night 60,000 people have visited the exhibition.

Boards of Trade interests to-day centered in the election of officers for the ensuing year, and A. L. Ganford, of Elyria. Onio, was elected president unanimously.

The treasurer's report showed receipts aggregating \$134.804 and expenditures amounting to \$121,242.

For a time it seemed as if the board would decide against any further exhibitions, and A. G. Spaulding introd Ted a motion to that effect. The resolution was finally amended so that the new Board of Directors were left free to net as they may see fit.

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The street RAIL POOL.

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And It Was Taken at Prices Below the Agreed Figure.—The Illinois Central Places a Large Order.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1e.—The Evening Post of this evening prints the following: "An interesting account of the direct." may see fit.

The newly elected president is about thirty-eight years of age and has been identified with the bicycle business for the last eight years. Previous to entering the bleyels trade he was cashier of the Urst National Bank of Elyria.

# FARMVILLE'S TOBACCO MARKET,

### Judge Crute Looking After Mr. Epps Interest-The Sick ...

In spite of the bad weather and the muddy roads the warchouses have been full of tobacco for the last week. Prices have been high: Lugs from \$1 to \$1; short leaf from \$5 to \$16, and good long leaf from \$10 to \$18. With, these prices farmers go back home very much pleased. This is altogether a dark tobacco market, no prunt leaf being soid.

of turned home with his bride on the and hos ong train. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson as the met at the depot by a host of his known.

friends.
Judge J. M. Crute, of this place, is engaged this week at Prospect in the Thorp Epps contested election case looking after the interests of Mr. S. P. Epps. Colonel J. D. Brady, of Petersburg, is watching the other side for Mr. R. T. Thorp.

Therp.
Mayor R. M Burton, who has been mayor is again ry sick for the past menth, is again his office, though he is not as strong he usually is. diss Bell Johnson is very sick at her home in this place

#### A BICYCLE RACE TRACK. One to Be Built at Riverview Park-The Fishing Season.

HAMPTON, VA., Feb. 10.-Special-Preparations are being made for a bi-Frequentions are teng man results of the cycle rare track at Riverview Park. Work will be begun on the track shortly, in order to have it completed by early spring Mr. Frank L. Small is at the head of this movement, and success is

sured.

Table rine in and about Hampton are aking arrangements for the spring thing which will begin soon. Already making arrangements for the S fishing, which will begin soon. All fine shad have been in the markets.

#### Newport News Notes,

NEWPORT NEWS VA. Feb. 10.—Special—For a short time this morning J. H. Coffee's livery stable, on Warwick avenue, was in peril from flames, a fire having originated in the office from a hot stov. It was extinguished with very little damage.

More building is going on here now than for months. East End. a suburb, is just dotted with recently laid foundations, while new work is in progress in all parts of the city.

The new fire engine house is rapidly

all parts of the city.

The new fire engine house is rapidly approaching completion.

The Corporation Court is in session and disposing of civil matters. Next week criminal cases will be tried.

## Howard-Taylor.

FARMVILLE, VA., Feb. 10.—Special.—
Mr. Bert Howard, of Pennsylvania, and
Miss May Taylor were married this evening at 3 o'clock at the home of Mr. Creed
Taylor, in Cumberland county, two miles
north of here, the ceremony being performed by Rev. T. McN. Simpson, of
the Methodist church of this place. The
happy couple will reside at the home of
Mr. Creed Taylor, and will have charge
of the latter's farm.

# Mes McDonough's Funeral.

The funeral of Mrs. Kate Griffith Meponough will take place from St. Peter's
Cathedral at 9 o'clock this merning and
the interment will be in Mt. Calvary Cemetery. Rev. Father Cutler will aing the
requiem mass.

The following gentiemen will act as
pall-bearers: P. T. Murphy. C. R. Vardley, T. W. Walsh, C. R. Chaffin, Augustus
Perkinson and T. J. Callahan.

ST PETERSBURG, Feb. 10.—The Russian Government has forbidden phyrimages of Mosiems to Mecca through Russian territory, and has also forbidden Russian Christians to visit the Shrines in the East. These measures are taken as a precaution against the Bubonic plague, and cordons of officers have been assigned to closely weath the Russian frontiers to prevent the introduction of the plague.

# Senator Wolcott's Movements.

LONDON, Feb. 10—The movements of United States Senator E. O. Woolcott, who is visiting the continent in the interest of bimetallism, are reported to be very uncertain. All that is known of his plans is that he will return to London on February 20th, and sail for New York on board the steamer Aurania on February 25th.

# Fight With a Wildeat,

The appearance of a ferocious wildcat at Wood Switch, on the main line of the Baltimore and Chio railroad, above Union Dam, a point on the Patapseo, three miles west of Elicott City, has created no little alarm to persons living in that locality, says a special from direct City, Md.

While B. H. Nelson, Jed Frazier, and everal other railroad hands were labour

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Todd second and Floss thirs. Time, 54.

Third race—seven furleons—then the control of the con

Locked Up the Panel.

"In some sections of Arkanaas," said one of the Representatives from that State yesterday, "people have a very strong objection to serving on juries. When I was at home hast fall I heard a little story in that regard. A certain Judge in one of the rural districts, having occasion to try an important case, ordered the Sheriff to impanel a jury. When two days had passed and no return had been made he sent for the Sheriff, and demanded to know why his orders had not been obeyed.

"Wall, Jedge," said the Sheriff, "I've got jest ten of em locked up in the jull yere, and I turned out the degs this mounts arter the other two.

Fully 60,000 People Visit the Exhibition.

The Treasurer's Report.

NEW YORK Feb. 10.—The attendance at the National Cycle Show at the Grand Palace was fully up to the ayerage of price has been attendance at the national cycle Show at the grand Palace was fully up to the ayerage of price has been attendance at the national Cycle Show at the Grand Palace was fully up to the ayerage of price has been attendance at the national Cycle Show at the Grand Palace was fully up to the ayerage of price has been attendance at the national Cycle Show at the Grand Palace was fully up to the ayerage of price has been attendance at the national Cycle Show at the Grand Palace was fully up to the ayerage of price has been attendance at the national Cycle Show at the Grand Palace was fully up to the ayerage of price has been at the national Cycle Show at the Grand Palace was fully up to the ayerage of price has been at the national Cycle Show at the Grand Palace was fully up to the ayerage of price has been at the commissioners of the two countries cannot agree upon the satisfactory terms of agree upon the satisfactory terms of satisfactory terms of over Aunty Joes face howered; National Cycle Show at the Grand Palace was fully up to the ayerage of my countries cannot agree upon the satisfactory terms of satisfactory

NEW YORK, Feb. ie.—The Evening Pest of this evening prints the following: "An interesting account of the direct causes which preciptated the rupture in the steel call. the steel rall pool, announced at Pitts-burg yesterday, was given to-day by a person familiar with the situation. Rep-resentatives of two of the largest mile met in Chicago on Monday to agree mins not in Checago of the country, and de-point rates governing business in a par-ticular section of the country, and de-cided upon \$30 as a basis price for certain transactions. Just at that time some large contracts came into the market, and one of the concerns interested was offered profitable business at a lower figure.

TOO TEMPTING. Rumors of cutting in various directions were current at the time, so the tempting offer was accepted, and an order aggregating many thousand tons was taken at a price said to be in the neighborhood of \$17 a ton. This necessitated, of course, the withdrawal of one concern from the pool, withdrawal of one concern from the pool, and hostilities were at once begun as soon as the transaction became generally

Arrows.

Orders were taken in this city yesterday at a basic price of \$20 for rails at the mill, and local agents of some of the largest concerns are said to be anxious to do as much business as possible while an open market prevails.

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"It is not possible at this time to tell just what effect prevailing prices will have upon outstanding contracts. Within the last few weeks contracts amounting to more than \$1,00,000 have been made by some of the railways at prices averaging \$1 or \$27 a ton, and, although some of them are binding at those figures, it is thought likely that many orders will be divered af a lower rate by mills anxious to hold the patronage of good customers.

delivered as a lower rate by mills anxious to hold the patronage of good customers. Whatever settlement is reached, however, losses are inevitable.
"The present situation, it is thought, will not disturb immediately the market for street-car ralls, and the large contracts recently given by local companies are not likely to be affected."

ENERGY OF THE DELIVER.

EFFECT OF THE BREAK.
PHILADELPHIA, PA., Feb. 10.—The
dissolution of the steel rail pool was the
dominant theme of discussion in the iron
and steel trade to-day.

Luther S. Bent, chairman of the Execu-tive Committee of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Steel Co., said this afternoon that the first effect of the break prices had been to abnormally increase usiness, and that orders for nearly 00,000 tons of steel ralls at the \$30 rate 200,000 tous of steel ralls at the \$20 rate had been received by Eastern companies since Friday last, the contract being divided between the Pennsylvania Steel Company, the Lackawama, Cambria, and Bethelehem companies. The contracts, Mr. Bent believed, would not have been executed before June or July, if the cut had not taken place. Asked whether he thought the cut would extend beyond the \$20 basis, Mr. Bent said: 'That is a question that will largely depend upon the attitude assumed to-day by the fillnows Steel Company. If it falls to adjust matters, it will be no surprise to me if rates further decline.'

BIG ORDER FOR BALLS

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BIG ORDER FOR RAILS.

NEW YORK, Feb. in.—The Illinois Central Railroad Company, taking advantage of the recent break in the price of steel rails, has placed orders with different mills for 50,000 tons of rails for delivery during the year 1857. Of these orders, it is understood 45,000 went to the Illinois Steel Company.

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It was announced to-day that the Illinois Steel Company had berrowed 1,500,000 from the United States Trust Company. The loan was made for six months, with 35,000 shares of stock in the Company controlled by Illinois Coke Company, controlled by Illinois. Coke Compeny, controlled by Bilhols steel as collateral. It is the intention of the Bilhols Steel Company to pay off the loan at the end of six months by issuing \$5.50,000 debentures, of which the balance will be used for preceding. will be used for purposes of the com

pany.
THE ILLINOIS STEEL COMPANY.
CHICAGO, ILL., Feb. 10.—The annual
meeting of the stockholders of the illners Steel Company was held to-day at
the general offices in the Rookery. The
financial statement showed a defect for
the year sading December 21st of \$332.380.
The convertible assets were \$9,156.831.
President Gates, in his annual report,
stated:

cures, as well as to business generally opening of the year showed a condition of general demoralization at every strial centre, largely caused by the extican message. This, ceming at a ad of general buriness revival, creat wheepread financial pant; and alticlipless industrial confusion, the ous effects of which were felt for its.

After hying most of the trouble at the door of the Chicago Convention, President Gates adds:
"We had fully 20,600 tons of product sold for prempt delivery at that time, but the financial conditions which prevailed throughout the country rendered it impossible for our customers to accomplish payment for the goods contracted for, and as a consequence our concern being thus obliged to carry much material and locking up a large amount of money, our accounts and bills payable have been abpormally high."

All the directors and officers were reelected. A. M. Crane was appointed general sales agent, succeeding J. L. Yale,

# Has a Pet Alligator

Miss Vera Gould of Thirty-Ninth and Baring streets has a pet alligator which was sent to her from Florida. Since the crival of the alligator, which is about Baring streets, has a pet alligator which was sent to ner from Florida. Since the arrival of the alligator, which is about eighteen inches long. Miss Gould mourns the loss of a pet kitten; and thereby mangs a tale. Mr. Alligator usually receives the best of attention, and after a good square meal is at peace with the world dozing in his tank until mealtime comes again. The tank is located in the dining-room and the other day his midday meal was forgetten—that is, forgotten by everybody except the alligator, the proved, however, that he was not entirely dependent upon others when his appetite was assailed. About 3 o'clock in the afternoon Miss Gould heard a series of feline yells issuing from the kitchen, and on appearing on the scene she was perfectly norrified at what met her gaze. There on the floor was her pet alligator vainly endeavering to get the head of a kitten in his mouth, while the mother of the victim was perfected on the hock of the alligator, clawing and biting it in a victous manner. After ressuing the kitten, and chasing the other pet to its abode. Miss Gould discovered that she was minus a kitten and concluded that the hungry alligator had eaten it. It was afterward necessary to keep the mother can in the cellar, as she attempted several times to wreak vengenice on the restreyer of her family.—Philadelphia Record.

# Di agreement of Nat out.

In times past and in times very recent many of us have laughed at the gentlemen and ladies of the peace societies. We have called with an air of patronage, their projects praiseworthy, and have then dismissed them as quite too Utopian for serious consideration. But the lovers of peace appear just now to have the best of it when the two great English-spenking peoples agree upon a treaty like this—a treatise to submit all differences to discussion and amicable settlement.

cipitate nearly all the wars of modern times. When reason and judgment have given place to passion the terms upon which an arbitration of the merits of a case in dispute are difficult to arrange. But here we have these terms agreed upon in advance, whon there is no difference at all between the countries.

The Chronicle, in London, a cranky 'mew' journal of an English type, affects to be running just-now the foreign offices of all the countries. In Europe and of the United States as well. We are told by this 'authority' that Russia is very much alarmed at this treaty, and that the czar fears that behind it is an offensive and defensive alliance. More singular than this singular statement is the fact that many papers in this country suggest that the Senate may refuse to ratify the treaty for fear of a rupture of friendly relations with Russia. Now, the czar may not be a very wise or a very learned young man, but the suggestion that he should be so ignorant as to believe such an alliance possible passes comprehension.

No, the Senate will be influenced by no will take place in May, and considerable

lieve such an alliance possione passes comprehension.

No the Senate will be influenced by no such a fear. If ragheation be refused it will probably be because such a course would shut off, for a time, at least the copious and inexhaustible flow of Senator Morgan's turkid rhetoric. But win or lose, Mr. Oiney and Lord Sailsbury, Mr. Bayard, and Sir Julian Pauncefote have done a good work, a work the influence of which is bound to be beneficially felt in all the future.—Leslie's Weekly. The election of some of the city officers will take place in May, and considerable time was devoted by the committee to a discussion of the advisiability of primaries, and whether or not those Democrats who opposed the Democratic nominees

Held the first

A Captol Hill man has a son about twenty years old, and the young fellow is very nearly a chip off of the old block. Not long ago—that is to say, during the Christmas holdays—the son went to visit friends and relatives among the snow-clad hills of Vermont, and, of course, while there put in as much of his time in a sletch as he could, because he knew the Washington climate was not conductive to that sort of amusment, and he wouldn't have another chance.

ries, and whether or not those Democrats who opposed the Democratic nominees last fall should be allowed to participate in them. It was decided to have a primary, and while definite action as to details was postponed until a meeting to be held subsequently, it was, nevertheless, the concensus of opinion of the members of the committee present that a Rueral policy should be adopted, and that the boiting Democrats should be allowed to take part in the primary.

Mr. T. D. Davis, president of the City Council, received to-day a letter from Mr. Samuel Spencer, president of the Southern railroad, stating that Mr. Davis letter in regard to the location in Lynchbirg of certain proposed repair shops had been received and had been referred to Mr. F. S. Gannon, third vice-president and general mannser, at Washington, D. C., who, the letter stated, would investigate the matter thoroughly before any decision was made.

The Southern railroad purchased some time ago, near Cool Well, seven miles from this city, about fifty acres of land, of which it was stated at the time they proposed making a divisional terminus. Efforts are being made to induce the Southern railroad to make Lynchburg the terminus and erect here whatever shops would be recessary.

Lynchburg has an inciplinent mad-dog scare. To-day Mayor Smith issued a preclamation notifying the people of the city who were owners of dogs to fasten the animals up for a period of ten days, and that for any violation of the order the deg would be shot and the owner lined \$5. On Sunday an officer of the city who were owners of dogs to fasten the deg would be shot and the owner lined \$5. On Sunday an officer of the city who was thought to be mad, and it was subsequently discovered that several other dogs had been bitten. The facts became known, and the Mayor was asked to take inn ediate action. His proclamation is strictly in accordance with an ordinance of the city.

Nelson County. and it happened in the case of the Capitol Hill laddie that on one of his trips
his horse ran away with him, and not
being the most expert driver in the world
he was almost at the mercy of the frightened animal. For a mile or more he
managed to keep the horse in the road,
but beyond was a hill and a stream with
a narrow bridge over it, just at a turn
in the road, which could only be taken
at a slower pace. The girl called his attention to this and nervously suggested
that they jump out, but he wouldn't have
it so, and assured her that he would be
responsible.

That sounded well, but when they approach the turn, the horse would not

## Ne son County.

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ELMINGTON, Feb. 10.—Special.—The snow, rain and freeze of the past week has given way to nice and baimy weather, though the roads are almost impassable, and the rivers and creeks, which have been quite high, are still full and bad to cress.

This little hamlet has been quite lively to-day.

A gentleman from Staunton was here to buy and ship lumber.

Mr. J. G. Henderson and Mr. Jasper Harris, of Arrington, were here on bustness.

Messrs, Henry and Frederick Johnson.

of Lynchburg, came down to attend the funeral and burial of their mother. Mrs. Sarah Jchnson, who was seventy-eeven years old. She was a remarkable lady, the mother of fifteen children. Twelve survive her. Three lost their lives in the late war in defence of southern rights. The funeral was conducted by Rev. 57. Ware.

The rains of the last few days brought tobacco in order. Farmers are busy stripping and shipping tobacco. At every station large quantities of the weed is being shipped.

I met the clerk of the County Court to-day, who resides at Lovingston. He said grip was prevailing all over the county.

## OBITUARY.

## W. E. Deanis,

W. E. Dennis,
FORK UNION. VA., Feb. 9.—Special.—
Mr. W. E. Dennis, a Confederate veteran,
who served from the first battle of Manassas to the surrender at Appomatox,
died suddenly Sunday night of pneumonia. He was a member of the Goochland
Artillery, organized and commanded for
a long time by the late Colonel John H.
Guy. In all his relations he had the general confidence as a man of strict integrity of character.

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SALEM, VA. Feb. 10.—Spect "-Captain Frank Beard, aged seventy-six years,
died at his home about six miles west of
Salem, last Friday morning at 9 o'clock.
He was reared in Bedford county
He was a member of D. H. Hill's brigade. The funeral services took place
from the Baptist church Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

State Wary Vayles.

## Stater Mary Xavier.

TERRE HAUTE, IND., Feb. 10.—Sister Mary Xavier died at St. Mary's of the Woods, yesterday. She was seventy-seven years. She was the last of the seven sisters who came to this locality in 1842, and started in a log cabin, the order of the Sisters of Providence, and where is now located property worth more than a million deliars. They founded the educational system, which now has eight hundred teachers in the cities of the country, and which owns, exclusive of church ownership, \$7,000,000 or \$8,000,000 worth of property.

### J. W. Conner.

LEESBURG, VA., Feb. 19.—J. W. Conner, a well-known citizen, and a member of the Town Council, died unexpectedly Monday night of heart trouble. Although a delicate man, he was in his place of business as usual up to 10 o'clock but died about midnight. He leaves a widow and several children. He was sixty years old.

## John M. Payne, Jr.

LYNCHBURG, VA. Feb. 10.—Special.—Mr. John M. Payne, a well-known attorney of the city, died this afternoon at Iron Gate, aged twenty-eight years, Deceased was a rising young railroad man, and when compelled to give up his position owing to ill healh, occupied a aplendid position with the Norfolk and Western railroad at Keneva.

He was in Texas for several months just prior to his death seeking a restoration to health by outdoor life on a ranch.

Mrs. Martha W. Tyree. LYNCHBURG, VA. Feb. 19.—Special.— Mrs. Martha W. Tyree, wife of the late Achilles D. Tyree, died this afternoon at the home of her son, Mr. A. D. Tyree, in Amherst county, aged seventy-nine

PRAYELLERS INSURANCE COMPANY, OF HARTFORD, CO.

ANNUAL STATEMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING THE UST DAY OF DECEMBER 1886 OF THE ACTUAL CONDITION OF THE TRAVELLERS LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT, MADE TO THE AUDITOR OF PUBLIC AC COUNTS FOR THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, PURSUANT TO THE LAWS OF VIRGINIA.

The amount of capital stock ......Life-

Name of the company in full—The Travellers Insurance
Location of home or principal office of sold company
Character of the company—Life and Accident.
President—James G. Batterson.
Secretary—John E. Morris.
Organized and incorporated—June 17, 1863.
Commenced business—April 1, 2864.
Name of the general agent in Virginia—H. D. Eichelberger, residence, Richard.

No. Amount. No. Amount.

The number of pelicles and the amount of heurance effected thereby in force at end of previous year.  The nichter of policles issued during the ver and the amount of insurance effected thereby	22,250 4,356	\$87,155,158 12,302,746		\$315,011,276 566,321,051
Total	34,605	\$99,657,298	217,425	\$911,332,527
The number of policies and the amount of insurance which have ceased to be in ferce during the year	3,660	\$11,414,621	106,572	\$556,106,170
The whole number of policies in force and the amount of liabilities or risks thereon	22,945	\$88,240.207	\$0,503	\$355,226,157
The amount of premiums received durin. The amount of interest received from all. The amount of all other receipts	Sources		Life. \$2,379.534 53 792,270 41 5,37.2 24	Accident. \$2.820.917.29 146,592.49
Total			\$1,177,677 18	\$2,967,500 78
The amount of lesses paid during the year The amount of expenses for all purposes The amount of dividends paid	(except	losses)	1,197,455 61	\$1,873,936 96 1,983,537 60
Total The amount of lesses unpaid The amount of all other liabilities			\$ 94,490 (1)	\$3,357,474 56 \$ 294 490 98 1,008,626 18
Total	******	***********	\$16,017,142 91	\$1,903,117 36
The amount of assets and how invested: Cash on hand and in bank Real estate, unincumbered Bonds owned by the company—to-wit: United States bonds State, county, and municipal bonds Railroad stocks and bonds Bank stocks Miscellareous stocks and bonds, Loans on bonds and mortgages, being incumbered real estate, with double bonned Loans on collateral security Unpaid and deferred life premiums. Interest accrued but not due.	(marke	t value)	1,963,756 69 12,750 66 3,347,728 92 2,767,728 60 1,084,986 60 1,489,370 00	

# BUSINESS IN VIRGINIA DURING 1896.

Carried out at market value-total......

-	1.411 @		WOLLD STREET	
	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.
Number and amount of policies in force December list of previous year	209	\$545,687	1.385	\$5,176,640
Number and amount of policies issued during the year	30	188,512	3.443	9,754,700
Total  Deduct number and amount which have censed to be in force during the year.	899	\$1,036,590	4,828	\$14,901,340
	59	147,620	12,782	8,785,835
Total number and amount of policies in force December 31, 186	240	\$559.040	2.066	\$6,145,461
	No. Amount.		No. Amount.	
Amount of lorses and claims on policies unpaid December flat of previous year.	1	\$2,000 00	1	\$5,000 00
Amount of icsaes and claims on policies is current during the year	7	9,741.50	672	20,801 87
Total	8	\$11,741 00	653	\$35,804 87
Amount of iceses and claims on policies paid during the year	8	\$11.741_50	651	\$28,804.87
Amount of assesments, premiums, dues a	nd fee	s collected of	r secured	In

blood.

The agony of the wildcat was so great after a while that the brute rolled over and over in the snow, mally forcing a quili through an eye and into its brain. Sam Hansome of Halyamp, picked up, the carcass before it was cold.

J. G. BATTERSON, President. JOHN E. MORRIS, Acting Secretary. of Connections, city of Hartford-sag Sworn to January 15, 1897, before WALTER W. PRATT Notary Policie.

# H. D. EICHELBERGER,

General Agent, 718 East Main Street, . - - - - - . . . Richmond. Va.

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Beautiful Austrian and Carlsbad China Decorated Fruit or Cream Saucers, worth life. at 3c. Thin Crystal Table Tumblers, neat en-

rificed to clean them up quickly.

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all beautifully decorated, values to \$2
dozen, each 4c. Nickel Plated Table or Reading Lamps with dome shade, central draft burner, worth \$2.50, 980 reduced, complete, to.....

6 Piece Chamber Sets, assorted decorations, large sized sets, worth \$2.25, our clearing price, per 980 set .....

500 sets White China Cups and Saucers, worth 80c., Monday only 20c. for 6 of each. 5c. for Granite Cake Turnets; worth 15c.

100 dozen Clear Crystal Wa- 90 ter Tumblers, six for..... 2-quart Sauce Pans, made of 50 heavy tin .....

Flesh Forks, heavy twisted wire han-Large Size Gray Mottled Wash Basins,

Thin Toddy Tumblers, extra quality, worth \$1 dozen, 2 1-20 special each..... Gas Globes, handsomely etched, this sale 19c.

Self-Wringing Floor Mop. 190 best so cent value..... 10c. regular No. 2 Chimney for large\_ sized burners, 3c. Hardwood Towel Rollers, 15c. sort, 4c.

Elegant China Mustards, with spoons-worth 25 cents-clear- 30 ing sale.....

2-Quart Tin Coffee Pet. 5c. Genuine Carlsbad China Jugs, transpa-rent, worth 25c., for 5c. Picture Wire, silver finish, 50 full length, 25 yards.....

Our five dollar gas stoves \$1.48 Granite Scamless Berlin Saucepans, long andles, worth 50c., 25c. Bristle Stove Brushes, splendid 25c. 95c. for Real \$2.50 Cut-Glass Oil Bot-

Hand Decorated Porcelain Banquet Globes, real five dollar 980 value, for .....

Genuine Rogers' Teaspoons, set of six, Genuine Rogers' Tablespoons, set of six. 1,000 pairs After-Dinners Cups and Sau-Pastry Boards, smooth finish, worth

chemicals, 2c package.

4-Fold Emirro lered Japanese Screens,
worth 56, 2c at \$2.49.

Butter Paddles, worth 5c., 1c.
Large Tin Dish Pans, worth 19c., for 2c.
Can Openers, do the work of any 2sc.
one, 1c. Toilet Paper, free from all injurious

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